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Joost Cornelisz Droochsloot (Circle), Village Scene With Church, 17th-Century Oil Painting

Price

Sold**Item Reference: SA1156870****Date of manufacture: 17th Century**

Dimensions

Height = 33 cm (13.0")

Width = 43.5 cm (17.1")

Description

This charming mid-17th-century Dutch oil painting depicts a village with a church and figures. It's similar to the oeuvre of Joost Cornelisz Droochsloot (1586-1666). All is well, nature is abundant amid a gentle, radiant glow, while the community gathers in harmony. In the foreground, a husband and wife, together with their loyal dog, stroll towards us. She carries a basket, perhaps laden with fresh goods. While beyond, three generations discuss events, an older gentleman rests on his stick, while the youngest, plausibly his grandchild, reaches for mother. Idyllic village scenes were a popular addition to the Dutch art market during the 17th century and usually conveyed a moralising message. Here, we see two figures entering a church, thus emphasising that if one follows the principles of the local preacher, life will be unblighted from drunkenness, debauchery and misery. Joost Cornelisz. Droochsloot hailed from Utrecht and became a valued painter of landscapes, villages and allegories. His approach was predominantly influenced by the earlier Flemish painters, such as Pieter Bruegel the Elder (c.1525/1530-1569). At times, he was known to produce pairs of scenes to des...

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